

Gragg Installs Nifty Gym for Capitol Club

By B. A. B.

The gymnasium of the Capital Athletic club at 27½ West Main street, where Sailor Davis, champion of the navy, and Otto Wallace are working out daily in preparation for their ten-round bout Friday night at the Auditorium, has been fitted out in fine style by Manager Billy Gragg.

Although situated on the third floor, the room chosen for the C. A. gymnasium seems to be an ideal selection.

It is a very spacious apartment, being about 12×30 feet. One of the biggest features is the smoothness of the floor, the room formerly having been used as a skating rink. It is centrally located, just east of Main street from Broadway.

Some of Equipment.

Manager Gragg has installed only part of the equipment he intends to furnish for the training of boxers and other members of the club but already there is enough apparatus on hand to make

a very favorable showing. One piece of equipment up is a giant, swinging medicine bag which weighs close to 250 pounds. When a man wrestles with this object for half an hour he knows he has been working. Two new punching bags have been installed and there is room for more if they are needed.

A ring has been erected in the center of the room for starting practice. The ropes are drawn around four steel posts. It is a regulation size ring.

Hand Ball Courts Ready.

Hand ball courts have been marked off in the roomy front of the cubroom. Hand ball practice is a favorite of boxers while training.

Scouts of boxing fans daily are visiting the new club's gymnasium, hoping to inspect the club's quarters and see Davis and Wallace work out. The two are doing light exhibition work each day. They are in fine condition already and need but little training having met recently in a bout at First Wealth.

IDEAL WEATHER FOR GRAND CIRCUIT RACES

AGGIE GRID SCHEDULE

CODA H. GRIFFITH of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical college football team, Stillwater, has announced the schedule for the coming season as follows:

October 7—Northwestern normal at Stillwater.

October 14—University of Texas at San Antonio.

October 21—Southwestern normal, Stillwater.

October 28—Warrensburg, normal of Missouri at Stillwater.

November 4—Henry Kendall college of Tulsa.

November 11—Central, normal at Stillwater.

November 18—Baylor university at Stillwater.

November 30—University of Oklahoma at Oklahoma City.

National Commission to Meet.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 11.—While no official announcement had been made, it is almost assured that the next meeting of the National Baseball commission will be held in Chicago on September 15. The drafting by the big leagues from the minors will be held then.

An Athletic Marvel.

In many ways young Jones is one of the most remarkable athletic marvels of the game. Francis Quimby was 20 years old when he first came to the major leagues, and he is still playing.

As remarkable as his play was, there is a vast difference between 14 and 20—a far greater difference than 6 years upon the average measures out. To find a kid 14 years old who could drive 260 yards and get a double, and then a year later be thought beyond belief, is hard to find. A 14-year-old boy who fairly reigned in a tough battle before a big galaxy is even further beyond the ordinary.

One Instance.

Here is one instance of Jones' remarkable nerve and coolness. He is a boy of unbounded nerve, as you have to be to play against Frank Frisch. In the days when the old Frisch was 14, he used to throw the ball over the fence under the twenty-second base. Deacon Jones did the same thing, but he would catch it and then walk off and sit down on his bench. But Frisch, a wonderful pitcher, dropped the ball within twelve feet of the seat. You can understand now why Frisch would have left off the average ball. On the side of the field, he would catch the ball and then walk off until the opposite end was reached. Without an instant's delay he stepped up to his ball, hit it hard, and dropped his short straw of straw to the ground. This show-off was a combination of nerve and skill, and it compelled all the other boys something more, in particular, the terrible touch of youth which knows very little about the art of baseball, but only thinks of the great fun of the game.

Or as Mr. Kingsley almost wrote—

"When all the games are young, lad, And all your dreams are pink, Before your songs are sung, lad, Upon the twilights pink, The sun is up, the world is old, lad, Across the morning's pink."

No man can beat a kid, lad, Who thinks that he can win!"

We have had some remarkable young players, but no one who ever reached the heights at 14 that Jones has reached at 14. At his age the game in this country has never developed anyone with such a combination of physical strength, bidding, and mental quickness as will be found in this boy. He is the most remarkable kid, perhaps, we have ever seen—and here and there on report we have looked upon one or two!

Back to Baseball.

When it comes to cite front names, what do you think of this lineage, repeated twice among the New York shortsters?

Hyatt, Damon, Runyan, Rose, Bauer, Purvis, Knob, Heywood, Brown, Sidney, Mercer, Lee, Arms, Grandstaff, Rue.

And yet those birds, so often taken to kidding the White Sox manager because his name is Clarence, and joke Ms. Huntington because he had the name of Percy wished upon him in his infancy.

A Grand Finish.

Stromboli, with the crowd shrinking in racing madness, came on again. Inch by inch he crept along. Stromboli led by a neck, now a head, now a nose, and then they were even. Nose and nose they raced, with the thunder of the throng ringing in their ears, race horses never have run before. Fifty feet from the finish line it looked as if the race would be a dead heat. And then Stromboli, with Herculean leaps, gained an inch, two inches, four inches—and the race was over.

Seven Manage Zim.

Heinie, the Zim, seems to be the most-managed player in the big show. The temperamental third-sacker first labored under orders from Frank Chance. Then came Johnny Evers, to be followed by Henry O'Day. Roger Fresehan then took a whiz at han-

dling the fractious Zim and succeeded.

Josephine Tinker was next and after a few months of taming he passed Zim right along to the sixth managerial victim—Honus McGraw.

How Tempus Does Fugit.

The autumn times most here again. The leaves grown brown and sere. The summer sports are waning fast. The football guy is here.

Two months or so will hold our gaze.

And then, he, too, will go.

And then we'll frolic at those sports.

That call for ice and snow.

It used to be "knockout". George Chaney, but now it's "knocked-out". George Chaney.

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